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Export from Labour-Intensive Sectors
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity and value of merchandise exports from labour-intensive sectors of the country during the last three years and the current year, item and yearwise;
(b) whether the Government has conducted any study to analyse and identify the sectors which are lagging behind in international trade and if so, the details and the results thereof;
(c) whether the Government has reviewed the impact of the previous stimulus package for the sectors which are lagging behind in exports particularly the labour-intensive sectors; and
(d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof along with the measures taken by the Government to promote the exports from the labour-intensive sectors?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) The total value of merchandise exports from the major labour intensive sectors of the country during the last three years and the current year, sector and principal commodity group-wise and year-wise is annexed as Annexure-I.

(b) to (d) The Government monitors the export performance of different sectors and takes need based measures from time to time, keeping in view the global economic environment. Department of Commerce/Directorate General of Foreign Trade engages with stake holders including Export Promotion Councils to assess the export sector situation.

Based on the assessments and feedback received from exporting community, Government has taken suitable measures to promote exports including by the labour intensive sectors, which include:

(i) The Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS)was introduced in the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2015-20 on April 1, 2015.MEIS aims to incentivize export of merchandise including export from labour intensive sectors, which are produced/manufactured in India. The details of the scheme are available on website of DGFT: www.dgft.gov.in.

(ii) The Government has introduced the Interest Equalisation Schemeon Pre & Post Shipment Rupee Export Credit with effect from 1.4.2015. The scheme is available to manufacturers for all exports under 416 specified tariff lines [at ITC (HS) Codes at 4 digit level] and to exports made by manufacturers in Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises across all ITC (HS) Codes. The rate of interest equalisation is 3% per annum.
(iii) Duty Exemption/Remission Schemes viz Advance Authorisation (AA), Duty Free Import Authorisation (DFIA) and Duty Drawback (DBK) Scheme enable duty free import of inputs for export production, including replenishment of input or duty remission. Schemes to promote exports of Gem & Jewellery include Advance Procurement/Replenishment of Precious Metals from Nominated Agencies, Replenishment Authorisation for Gems, Replenishment Authorisation for Consumables and Advance Authorisation for precious metals. Export Promotion Capital Goods (EPCG) Scheme facilitates import of capital goods at zero duty for producing quality goods and services to enhance India's export competitiveness. Authorisation holder underEPCG is not required to maintain average Export Obligation in respect of export of goods from following sectors viz. Handicrafts, Handlooms, Cottage & Tiny sector, Agriculture, Aqua-culture (including Fisheries), Pisciculture, Animal husbandry, Floriculture & Horticulture, Poultry, Viticulture, Sericulture,Carpets, Coir, and Jute.

(iv) Market Access Initiative (MAI) Scheme is an Export Promotion Scheme envisaged to act as a catalyst to promote India"s exports on a sustained basis. The scheme provides assistance to Export Promotion Organizations/Trade Promotion Organizations/National Level Institutions/ Research Institutions/Universities/Laboratories, Exporters etc., for enhancement of exports through accessing new markets or through increasing the share in the existing markets.

(v) Market Development Assistance (MDA) Scheme is under operation through the Department of Commerce to assist exporters for export promotion activities abroad, assist Export Promotion Councils(EPCs) to undertake export promotion activities for their product(s) and commodities and assist approved organizations/trade bodies in undertaking exclusive non-recurring innovative activities connected with export promotion efforts for their members.

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ANNEXURE-I

TOTAL VALUE OF MERCHANDISE EXPORTS FROM THE MAJOR LABOUR INTENSIVE SECTORS OF THE COUNTRY DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS AND THE CURRENT YEAR, SECTOR AND PRINCIPAL COMMODITY GROUP-WISE AND YEAR-WISE

Value in US $ Million

Sl.No.	SECTOR	PRINCIPAL COMMODITY GROUPS	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17 (Apr-May)
1	CARPET	CARPET(EXCL. SILK) HANDMADE	1175.8	1358.2	1437.6	233.2
2	CARPET	SILK CARPET	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.2
3	COFFEE	COFFEE	798.8	814.0	783.8	157.9
4	COTTON YARN/FABS./MADEUPS, HANDLOOM PRODUCTS ETC.	COTTON FABRICS, MADEUPS ETC.	5118.6	5516.4	5256.1	823.4
5	COTTON YARN/FABS./MADEUPS, HANDLOOM PRODUCTS ETC.	COTTON YARN	4550.4	3937.4	3608.0	533.3
6	COTTON YARN/FABS./MADEUPS, HANDLOOM PRODUCTS ETC.	HANDLOOM PRODUCTS	373.0	369.6	368.5	61.2
7	COTTON YARN/FABS./MADEUPS, HANDLOOM PRODUCTS ETC.	MANMADE STAPLE FIBRE	597.8	551.6	540.1	92.4
8	COTTON YARN/FABS./MADEUPS, HANDLOOM PRODUCTS ETC.	OTH TXTL YRN, FBRIC MDUP ARTCL	376.0	399.6	331.3	56.2
9	ENGINEERING GOODS	AC, REFRIGERATION MACHNRY ETC	1164.1	1168.3	1047.8	165.0
10	ENGINEERING GOODS	AIRCRAFT, SPACECRAFT AND PARTS	4585.0	6158.5	3707.3	535.0
11	ENGINEERING GOODS	ALUMINIUM, PRODUCTS OF ALUMINM	1943.3	2859.4	2639.1	332.5
12	ENGINEERING GOODS	ATM, INJCTNG MLDING MCHNRY ETC	1244.2	1344.4	1260.4	197.0
13	ENGINEERING GOODS	AUTO COMPONENTS/PARTS	3971.8	4438.6	4216.1	669.7
14	ENGINEERING GOODS	AUTO TYRES AND TUBES	1687.5	1648.1	1384.3	235.3
15	ENGINEERING GOODS	BICYCLE AND PARTS	348.7	354.2	297.5	48.1
16	ENGINEERING GOODS	COPPER AND PRDCTS MADE OF COPR	2855.1	3420.3	2539.6	308.9
17	ENGINEERING GOODS	CRANES, LIFTS AND WINCHES	309.7	341.8	425.7	73.3
18	ENGINEERING GOODS	ELECTRIC MACHINERY AND EQUIPME	3683.2	3974.1	3813.4	687.7
19	ENGINEERING GOODS	HND TOOL, CTTNG TOOL OF METALS	711.1	755.7	639.8	119.4
20	ENGINEERING GOODS	IC ENGINES AND PARTS	1770.4	2398.0	2037.3	407.2
21	ENGINEERING GOODS	INDL. MACHNRY FOR DAIRY ETC	4276.3	4769.3	4635.3	696.1
22	ENGINEERING GOODS	IRON AND STEEL	9223.7	8684.4	5553.6	838.9
23	ENGINEERING GOODS	LEAD AND PRODUCTS MADE OF LED	194.7	173.2	181.5	18.1
24	ENGINEERING GOODS	MACHINE TOOLS	334.9	376.9	392.0	62.2
25	ENGINEERING GOODS	MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUM	966.9	1080.3	988.7	172.2
26	ENGINEERING GOODS	MOTOR VEHICLE/CARS	6147.9	6684.0	6727.3	1072.3
27	ENGINEERING GOODS	NICKEL, PRODUCT MADE OF NICKEL	437.3	897.6	492.9	18.8
28	ENGINEERING GOODS	NUCLER REACTR, INDL BOILR, PRT	563.1	603.9	681.4	124.0
29	ENGINEERING GOODS	OFFICE EQUIPMENTS	30.9	54.8	89.5	14.8
30	ENGINEERING GOODS	OTH NON FEROUS METAL AND PRODC	416.1	499.3	432.7	70.9
31	ENGINEERING GOODS	OTHER CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY	1008.7	1177.4	1073.4	189.9
32	ENGINEERING GOODS	OTHER MISC. ENGINEERING ITEMS	1586.0	1751.2	1990.6	311.8
33	ENGINEERING GOODS	OTHR RUBBER PRODCT EXCPT FOOTW	964.2	1071.1	919.1	143.6
34	ENGINEERING GOODS	PRIME MICA AND MICA PRODUCTS	19.1	19.5	17.1	3.2
35	ENGINEERING GOODS	PRODUCTS OF IRON AND STEEL	6780.4	7562.8	6122.8	886.8
36	ENGINEERING GOODS	PROJECT GOODS	47.4	36.6	24.9	13.9
37	ENGINEERING GOODS	PUMPS OF ALL TYPES	690.9	773.2	706.6	108.7
38	ENGINEERING GOODS	RAILWY TRNSPRT EQUIPMNTS, PRTS	178.2	135.3	110.0	27.8
39	ENGINEERING GOODS	SHIP, BOAT AND FLOATING STRUCT	3724.9	5352.6	3091.6	1737.0
40	ENGINEERING GOODS	TIN AND PRODUCTS MADE OF TIN	80.4	37.7	57.2	0.8
41	ENGINEERING GOODS	TWO AND THREE WHEELERS	1521.5	1864.3	1777.4	270.0
42	ENGINEERING GOODS	ZINC AND PRODUCTS MADE OF ZINC	435.4	608.1	527.1	29.5
43	GEMS AND JEWELLERY	GOLD	3086.5	2845.1	5512.5	693.8
44	GEMS AND JEWELLERY	GOLD AND OTH PRECS METL JWLERY	10801.4	13242.4	11026.8	2484.0
45	GEMS AND JEWELLERY	OTHER PRECIOUS AND BASE METALS	321.5	414.0	447.3	42.8
46	GEMS AND JEWELLERY	PEARL, PRECS, SEMIPRECS STONES	27160.4	24758.8	22446.9	4059.6
47	GEMS AND JEWELLERY	SILVER	18.5	5.7	7.3	1.5
48	HANDICRAFTS EXCL. HAND MADE CARPET	HANDCRFS(EXCL.HANDMADE CRPTS)	1499.3	1378.0	1635.4	278.9
49	JUTE MFG. INCLUDING FLOOR COVERING	FLOOR CVRNG OF JUTE	63.6	86.3	67.5	10.5
50	JUTE MFG. INCLUDING FLOOR COVERING	JUTE HESSIAN	141.7	126.0	125.5	22.5
51	JUTE MFG. INCLUDING FLOOR COVERING	JUTE YARN	23.5	22.6	18.3	1.1
52	JUTE MFG. INCLUDING FLOOR COVERING	OTHER JUTE MANUFACTURES	152.8	112.5	348.5	24.2
53	LEATHER AND LEATHER MANUFACTURES	FINISHED LEATHER	1285.1	1331.2	1049.3	169.2
54	LEATHER AND LEATHER MANUFACTURES	FOOTWEAR OF LEATHER	2025.7	2279.0	2147.8	319.6
55	LEATHER AND LEATHER MANUFACTURES	LEATHER FOOTWEAR COMPONENT	320.0	361.9	285.1	47.4
56	LEATHER AND LEATHER MANUFACTURES	LEATHER GARMENTS	591.8	604.6	554.0	80.6
57	LEATHER AND LEATHER MANUFACTURES	LEATHER GOODS	1350.1	1453.2	1370.4	205.4
58	MAN-MADE YARN/FABS./MADEUPS ETC.	MANMADE YARN,FABRICS,MADEUPS	5183.7	5275.0	4651.4	736.4
59	RMG OF ALL TEXTILES	RMG COTTON INCL ACCESSORIES	9106.7	9282.8	9090.0	1454.3
60	RMG OF ALL TEXTILES	RMG MANMADE FIBRES	3149.0	3997.1	4179.6	750.1
61	RMG OF ALL TEXTILES	RMG OF OTHR TEXTLE MATRL	2190.8	2941.7	3183.9	550.5
62	RMG OF ALL TEXTILES	RMG SILK	236.6	304.0	245.2	26.7

63 RMG OF ALL TEXTILES RMG WOOL 307.5 307.7 264.8 28.0
64 TEA TEA 798.8 681.8 720.0 90.7
65 Toys Toys 36.9 41.0 65.3 12.4
66 Sports Good Sports Good 236.5 274.5 227.5 34.1
67 Rubber and Articles Rubber and Articles 2679.2 2726.3 2362.1 381.4
TOTAL 149663.3 160877.7 144961.7 25053.6

Source: DGCI&S

Note 1: Corresponding quantity figures for above sectors are not available as aggregation is not possible due to difficulty in aggregating across different product/commodity types, units of measurement etc. The commodity-wise and country-wise data on quantum and value of exports and imports of the country is available in the CDs of DGCI&S publications "Monthly Statistics of Foreign Trade of India", Vol.I (Exports) and Vol.II (Imports). These CDs are also regularly sent to Parliament Library by DGCI&S, Kolkata, for reference.

Note 2: As the item-wise data will be huge, these sectors have been bifurcated into principal commodity groups wherever possible.
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